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1. (Internal Use Only - RJK) Delivered to the offices of Senators Dick Clark (D., Iowa), Jacob K. Javits (R., N.Y.), Mike Mansfield (D., Mont.), Edmund S. Muskie (D., Maine) and Charles H. Percy (R., Ill.) and Representatives Carl Albert (D., Okla.) and Clement Zablocki (D., Wisc.) [] items in which their names were mentioned.

2. (Unclassified - RJK) Delivered a package of maps to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee mail room for Richard Moose, of the staff.

3. (Unclassified - RJK) Delivered a package of information for Brian Atwood, on the staff of Senator Thomas F. Eagleton (D., Mo.), per arrangements made by Mr. Miller.

4. (Unclassified - RJK) Delivered a letter from Mr. Cary to the office of Representative Charles C. Diggs, Jr. (D., Mich.).

5. (Unclassified - RJK) In the absence of Richard Kaufman, General Counsel, Joint Economic Committee, left some material with his secretary. It contained graphics for inclusion in the Committee's forthcoming publication resulting from the Director's testimony before the Subcommittee on Priorities and Economy in Government on 18 June. I advised his secretary that we would appreciate return of proof prints of the negatives when Kaufman is finished with them. I also mentioned that when galley proofs of the Committee print are available, our people would be happy to review them in keeping with the agreement with Kaufman.

6. (Unclassified - RJK) Met with Tom Smeeton, Minority Staff, House International Relations Committee, and provided him, per his request, with a copy of the Director's prepared statement before the House Select Committee on Intelligence of 6 August.

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11. [redacted] Received a call from Les Janka, NSC, regarding the letter we received from Chairman John Sparkman, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, re the Mayaguez incident. (I had forwarded a copy to Janka for his information, especially since the NSC staff is involved in contact with the House International Relations Committee on a study GAO is doing on that Committee's behalf on the Mayaguez.) Janka suggested we go ahead and work up a draft response to the Sparkman letter using the chronology which has been used by Bob Miller, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State. According to Janka, State has prepared a draft response to Sparkman along these lines and he suggested we coordinate with Alex Schnee, State Department Congressional Relations staff, in preparing our draft.

I used this opportunity to ask Janka where things stood with respect to the House International Relations Committee study being conducted by GAO. He said he was trying to get some guidance from Dr. Kissinger on this and as soon as he had further information he would be back in touch with us.

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12. [redacted] General Sam Wilson, D/DCI/IC, called to say he had received further inquiries from DOD regarding the transcripts of the Director's testimony of Wednesday before the House Select Committee on Intelligence. I suggested that he contact [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] is negotiating with the Committee regarding the number of copies of the transcripts which will be made and what if any distribution can be made of them

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13. [redacted] I talked with Howard Feldman, Majority Counsel, Senate Government Operations Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, several times during the course of the afternoon regarding the Soviet grain situation. A meeting with Feldman and Stuart Statler, Minority Counsel, had been scheduled for 2:00 this afternoon, but it became necessary to cancel that session since we were awaiting White House approval on passing our new estimated Soviet grain figure to the Hill. Without identifying the White House, I bought time with Feldman and ultimately, after the Director talked with General Scowcroft, I advised Feldman the Soviet grain figure estimate had been reduced to 165 million tons, but he should regard that figure as confidential until it is announced otherwise. Feldman was most understanding throughout my numerous conversations with him during the afternoon and said he would notify Statler of the information I had given him. I also told him we would probably be in touch with him tomorrow to reschedule the briefing.

Feldman noted that if, in fact, the agreed figure was 165 million tons, this posed a number of serious problems which could affect all sorts of things including our negotiations with the Soviets on SALT. I told him he probably could then understand why we had to await policy approval before giving him this figure which I again reminded should be treated on a confidential basis.

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